

**CITY OF DELTONA, FLORIDA
REGULAR MEETING
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2012**

A Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held on Monday, April 9, 2012 at the City Hall Commission Chambers, 2345 Providence Boulevard, Deltona, Florida.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:51 p.m. by the Chair, Patty Srebernak.

2. ROLL CALL:

Chair	Patty Srebernak	Present
Vice Chair	Janet Deyette	Present
Board Member	Susan Armon	Present
Board Member	Constantino "Gus" Chinchay	Absent
Board Member	Julio DeLeon	Present
Board Member	Bernice Ludvick	Absent
Board Member	James W. Ruth	Present

Also present: Parks & Recreation Assistant Director Mark Manning; and Marlene Brown, Board Secretary.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. Minutes:

1. Meeting – March 12, 2012

There was a correction to the Minutes on page 3 line 9. It should have been "West Volusia Youth Pony Baseball" instead of "Deltona Little League".

There was another correction on page 4, line 9 that said "Little League" and it should have been "Little Linksters".

Motion by Janet Deyette, seconded by Susan Armon to adopt the minutes of the Regular Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting of March 12, 2012 with the corrections as noted.

Motion carried with members voting as follows: Patty Srebernak, For; Janet Deyette, For; Susan Armon, For; Julio DeLeon, For; and James Ruth, For.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The members were given copies of the following flyers: Energy Wise Seminars, Concert in the Amphitheater and Spring Fest. Mr. Manning reminded the members about Arbor Day on April

27th and the Latin Festival on April 29th at Dewey Boster. He also advised that there was going to be a Concert in the Amphitheater on May 12th.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no members from the public present for this meeting.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Park Signage Update:

The members wanted a follow-up on the signage issues they had discussed at last month's meeting. Mr. Manning explained that their findings would be addressed, including making the "rule" sign more user friendly. He said that would be looked into and when the department had come up with a proposal he would bring it back so this board could take a look at it. Mr. Manning said the height of the handicapped sign is a few inches off but we would not be cited for it. He stated that the predator sign was passed by ordinance and is not something that could be changed at this time and that included the color of the sign. Mrs. Armon wanted to know if the predator sign issue could be presented to the City Commission to see if it could be changed. She said they wanted the sign to be stern, not pretty.

Mr. Ruth said that the City has a large Hispanic population and he wanted to know if when Parks Department install signs in the various parks if they are also written in Spanish. Mr. Manning said no, there was no signage written in Spanish at this time. Mr. Ruth said maybe it would be a good idea to have the basic rules written in Spanish. Mr. Manning said it would be a good idea but the width of the signs would have to be increased and other things would have to be considered. Mr. Ruth said it was just a suggestion.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Brown indicated that this board had three (3) topics approved by the City Commission for them to do as a project. Since they had completed the Park Signage project, they looked at their two (2) remaining topics and decided to work on "Communications" as the next topic.

The agenda was amended to add "Communications" under Item 7.A. "New Business".

Mrs. Armon said the marquis sign was a much better eye catcher than the electronic signs. She said there are so many things going on in Deltona that the residents are not aware of. She said the City Commission had talked about banners in the past but there were so many road blocks with it. She indicated that she liked the new design of the City's web site and said maybe putting out more information when City meetings are televised or even advertising on Facebook, would be options.

Mr. Manning agreed that the marquis signs are good but said that the electronic signs do a good job of attracting people to our events.

Mrs. Armon wanted to know if the City advertised Little League, etc. on the web site calendars and Mr. Manning responded that the registration dates are advertised. Mrs. Deyette wanted to know if

the City Commission had said anything further about the use of banners. The members talked about the banners in Deland and both Mrs. Deyette and Mrs. Armon agreed that banners are a good idea as they are visible. A suggestion was made to have a drop box for people to fill out if they wanted to receive City information.

There was a brief discussion on the City's website saying that the sign up to receive City information should be on the first page of the website with a blurb that reads "Sign in here for updates on the City" or a scrolling banner instead of citizens having to search the website to find it. Mrs. Armon said we have the resources so we should use them.

The members asked that Trail Development be added to the May agenda.

8. DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

Mr. Manning said the upcoming concert would be good and he hoped to see everyone there.

9. MEMBERS COMMENTS:

- a. Mr. DeLeon said the meeting was productive and he hoped some of their ideas would be taken into consideration.
- b. Mrs. Armon said she was encouraged with the discussion on communications. She said she was going to ask about trail development and saw that it was a topic for discussion by this board. She said she was looking forward to that discussion.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next meeting date is Monday, May 14, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by James Ruth, seconded by Janet Deyette to adjourn. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Patty Srebernak, For; Janet Deyette, For; Susan Armon, For; Julio DeLeon, For; and James Ruth, For.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Patty Srebernak, Chair

ATTEST:

Mark Manning, Assistant Director